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as of April 1953, the Ardilla dock was the only one where large ships could be loaded at the port of Guaymas, Mexico. At low water, there is about 15 ft of water on the west side of the dock and about 19 ft of water at the end of the dock. The dock is about half the length of a freighter and its width is less that one half the length of a freighter. The practice is to bring a ship when light along the west side of the dock and load the forward holds. When her draft approaches 15 ft, she is brought around to the end, where loading continues in the forward holds while the after holds are loaded from lighters.

- 2. When a ship's draft approaches 19 ft, she is moved about a mile and a half to the outer harbor, where further loading may be carried out. Four lighters are available there for this purpose.
- 3. At Guaymas is a warehouse with a capacity for about three thousand tons of general cargo. April 19537

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